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INFORMATION PAPER

SUBJECT: Emergency Management Programs

1. Purpose. Provide an overview of Honolulu District's Emergency Management program.

2. Points of Major Interest and Facts: The Honolulu District's Emergency Management Division ensures the District is prepared to respond to military contingencies (war, operations other than war - OOTW, continuity of operations - COOP, military support to civil authorities - MSCA, and continuity of government - COG) and natural disasters (floods, typhoons, volcanoes, tsunami, droughts, and earthquakes) in the POH area of operations. In addition, the District is tasked to prepare selected teams and team members to deploy to support other affected areas. EM's preparation includes team formation, selection, training and equipping. EM is funded from three separate source programs: (a) Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies (FCCE - funded by separate Congressional line item, no year funds), (b) Field Force Engineering (FFE, funded by Operations & Maintenance, Army - 1 year funds), and (c) Catastrophic Disaster Response Planning (CDRP, funded by Operations & Maintenance, General - no year funds). See Info Papers on FCCE, FFE, and CDRP.

a. Staff. The EM staff is composed of a Chief, two program managers, and EM assistant. The annual budget ranges between \$450,000 to \$750,000, depending on training and exercises schedules/funding.

b. Teams. On the Civil funded (FCCE and O&M, Gen) side POH has one of 7 Corps-wide Emergency Power Planning and Response Teams (PRT), one member on the Technical Search Specialist PRT, and members on the following functional or corporate PRTs: Real Estate, (RM, SO, etc., will probably be changed from a team to a cadre), and Logistics. On the Military funded (OMA) side POH has one of 8 Corps-wide Base Development Teams (BDT), one of 7 Corps-wide Forward Engineer Support Teams - Augmentation (FEST-A), and one member on the Infrastructure Assessment Team (IAT). Team members are medically screened.

c. Training. Each member of a team receives annual training (24 - 32 hours)

d. Equipment. Each team and team member has the equipment identified as necessary for their work. No team nor team member has been Prepared for Onward Movement (POM). EM maintains a small quantity of EM visibility items (EM's white or red Shirts, hats and magnetic signs). EM also has a Fly Away Kit (FAK - large case with computer, satellite phone camera, etc). EM is also custodian for a USACE Containerize Tactical Operations Center (CTOC). CTOC is air transportable communications command and control package. It consists of some 40 large containers (it includes: a LAN with 8 laptops, HF radio, 150 VHF-FM radios, two generator sets, GPS, sat phone, and satellite system capable of supporting 30+ work stations)

e. Exercises. EM conducts a joint state-Corps hurricane exercise each May. This exercise is often used for Corps-wide training of mission PRTs. POH annually plays in two joint military exercises: Cobra Gold (held in May) and Reception, Staging, Onward movement, and Integration (RSOI, held in April).